1 $\mathbf{2}$ 3 4 5 7 8 AT TACOMA 9 10 In re: Case No. 07-41321-PHB 11 DANIEL P. WICK AND NANCY M. WICK, 12 Debtors. 13 14 15 16 17 David K. Johnson declares as follows: 18 1. 19 20 212. 22 23 24 25 26 27

Hon. Philip H. Brandt Chapter 7 Hearing Date: May 30, 2007 Hearing Time: 9:30 a.m. Response Date: May 22, 2007 Location: United States Federal Courthouse 1717 Pacific Avenue, Courtroom I Tacoma, WA.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTICT OF WASHINGTON

DECLARATION OF DAVID K. JOHNSON

IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR RELIEF FROM STAY AND MEMORANDUM IN

SUPPORT THEREOF

- I am the President and CEO of Westsound Bank. I am familiar with the loan made to Daniel Wick and Nancy Wick d/b/a Wick Construction. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and I am competent to testify thereto.
- On or about January 18, 2006, Daniel Wick and Nancy Wick d/b/a Wick Construction, agreed to borrow \$150,000 from Westsound Bank to purchase the certain real property located at 191 E. Clonakilty Dr., Shelton, Mason County, Washington (the "Clonakilty Property") and to construct a single family residence thereon (the

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"Construction Loan"). A true and correct copy of the Promissory Note is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

- 3. On the same date the Wicks executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to Westsound Bank securing the note. The Deed of Trust was filed with the Mason County Auditor's office on January 18, 2006 under Auditor's No. 1858701. A true and correct copy of the Deed of Trust is attached as Exhibit B and incorporated herein.
- 4. After the finalization of the loan, the Wicks and Wick Construction made periodic draw requests to Westsound Bank and those were funded by Westsound. In September, 2006, however, Westsound Bank discovered that the Wicks and Wick Construction had made a draw request to pay obligations to Evergreen Lumber Company, but that after Westsound Bank funded that request, the Wicks used the funds for personal reasons rather than to fund the construction on the Clonakilty Property. Westsound Bank reviewed the checks drawn on the Wick Construction account and confirmed that checks had been made out to cover the Wicks' personal expenses such as their credit cards, entertainment and other expenses. True and correct copies of those checks are attached as Exhibit C and incorporated herein. The funds were not used to pay the supplier, Evergreen Lumber Supply. Mr. Wick was confronted with this information and he confirmed that he and his wife had used the funds advanced under the construction loan for personal expenses. Westsound Bank ordered the Wick Construction account frozen and stopped making advances. No advances have been made since September, 2006.
- 5. Although the Bank has offset a small amount which remained in a Wick Construction checking account against the outstanding obligation, no other payments have been made on the loan since September, 2006.

- 6. So far as is known no additional construction has been done on the Clonakilty Property and the project remains uncompleted. At the time of the discovery of the misappropriation of loan proceeds and the termination of the loan, the project was only at the framing stage. The debtors, in their Schedules and Statements of Financial Affairs, Schedule A, has represented that it would cost \$65,000.00 to complete construction.
- 7. As part of a non-judicial foreclosure Westsound Bank served the Wicks with a Notice of Default on March 28, 2007, and the Bank was prepared to serve the Wicks with a Notice of Foreclosure and Notice of Trustee's Sale at the time of the filing of this bankruptcy. That sale would have been scheduled for August 10, 2007.
- 8. As of April 30, 2007, the amount owing to Westsound Bank relative to the Clonakilty Property was \$113,056.18, consisting of a principal debt of \$101,232.40, interest as of April 30, 2007, of \$5,177.15 (and continuing to accrue at the rate of \$49.92 per day) and \$6,646.63 in attorney's fees, costs, late charges and other statutory costs associated with the non-judicial foreclosure.
- 9. As part of the non-judicial foreclosure, Westsound Bank requested a Trustee's Guaranty from Mason County Title. That title report showed that in addition to the amounts owing to Westsound Bank, two parties have filed materialmen's liens against the Clonakilty Property., Evergreen Lumber Company for \$17,336.30 and Paul Jones Construction for \$3,000.00. A true and correct copy of the Trustee's Guaranty is attached as Exhibit D and incorporated herein. There are also unpaid taxes for 2006 and 2007 totaling \$276.66 and fees associated with a homeowners' association.

- 10. Based on the Mason County Assessor's website, the assessed value of the Clonakilty Property is \$10,000.00.
- 11. Prior to construction Westsound Bank had the Clonakilty Property appraised. The expected appraised value of the completed project was \$188,000.00. A true and correct copy of the Appraisal is attached as Exhibit E and incorporated herein.
- 12. On February 23, 2006, the Daniel Wick entered into a separate loan agreement with Westsound Bank in which he borrowed \$280,000.00 (the "Soderberg Loan"). A true and correct copy of the February 23, 2006 promissory note is attached as Exhibit F and incorporated herein. To secure the note the Wicks granted Westsound Bank a deed of trust in certain real property located at 780 E. Soderberg Road, Allyn, Washington. The abbreviated legal description for the property is Lot eleven (11) Lakeland Village No. 12 Phase 2, Vol. 10 of Plats, pages 246 to 250, both inclusive of Mason County, Washington, parcel no. 122185000011. Westsound Bank filed the Deed of Trust with the Mason County Auditor on February 28, 2006, under File No. 1861680 and holds a first position on the Soderberg Road property. A true and correct copy of the Deed of Trust for the Soderberg Property is attached as Exhibit G and incorporated herein.
- 13. On March 7, 2006, Westsound Bank sold the Soderberg Loan to Countrywide Home Loan ("CHL"). Based on information provided by CHL, the Wicks made the monthly payments on the Soderberg Loan in April and May, 2006, but failed to make any payments thereafter.
- 14. Westsound Bank repurchased the loan from CHL on September 14, 2006 and commenced a non-judicial foreclosure. The trustee's sale was scheduled to occur on

Friday, April 27, 2007. The sale did not proceed after it was learned that the Wicks had filed bankruptcy on April 26.

- 15. At the time of the filing of this bankruptcy the total debt owing to Westsound Bank on the Soderberg Loan was \$287,495.99. Interest continues to accrue at the rate of \$52.76 per day. In addition to the amounts owing to Westsound, real estate taxes have not been paid since the first half of 2006 and, based on the Mason County Assessor's website, taxes totaling \$4,148.56 are owed.
- 16. The Mason County Auditor shows an assessed value of the property of \$295,930.00.
- 17. The Construction Loan and the Soderberg Loan are not cross-collateralized.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Executed this 2 day of May, 2007, at Bremerton, Washington.

David K. Johnson